

## **Bird Track Springs Fish Habitat Enhancement Project**

### **Administrative Review (Objection) Opportunity**

The La Grande Ranger District of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest in partnership with the Bonneville Power Administration, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and the Bureau of Reclamation is proposing to conduct stream enhancement activities within approximately 1.9 miles of the Grande Ronde River in the Bird Track Springs (BTS) area. The overall purpose of this project is to re-establish natural river-floodplain connections and processes. These actions are proposed on the La Grande Ranger District and adjacent State and private land approximately 10 miles west of La Grande, Oregon, within the Beaver Creek-Grande Ronde River watershed. The project area is located at Township 3 South, Range 36 East, Sections 15 and 16.

Analysis has been completed and the BTS Fish Habitat Enhancement Project is now subject to pre-decisional administrative review pursuant to 36 CFR 218 subparts A and B. The Responsible Official is Bill Gamble, District Ranger of the La Grande Ranger District. A copy of the Environmental Assessment and draft Decision Notice and/or additional information can be obtained either online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=472837> or by contacting Bill Gamble at the La Grande Ranger District, 3502 Highway 30, La Grande, OR 97850, 541-962-8582, or emailing him at [bgamble@fs.fed.us](mailto:bgamble@fs.fed.us).

Only individuals or organizations that submitted specific written comments during a designated opportunity for public participation (scoping or the 30-day public comment period) may object (36 CFR 218.5). Notices of objection must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 218.8(d); incorporation of documents by reference is permitted only as provided for at 36 CFR 218.8(b).

Objections may be mailed to: Tom Montoya, Forest Supervisor, Objection Reviewing Officer, Attn. 1570 Appeals and Objections, 1550 Dewey Ave, Suite A, Baker City, OR 97814. Objections delivered by mail must be received before the close of the fifth business day after the objection filing period. For emailed objections, please email to: [objections-pnw-wallowa-whitman@fs.fed.us](mailto:objections-pnw-wallowa-whitman@fs.fed.us). Please put OBJECTION and the project name in the subject line. Electronic objections must be submitted as part of an actual e-mail message, or as an attachment in Microsoft Word (.doc), rich text format (.rtf), or portable document format (.pdf) only. For electronically mailed appeals, the sender should normally receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive an automated acknowledgement of the receipt of the appeal, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means. Objections may also be hand delivered to the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Headquarters, at the above address between 7:45 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday except legal holidays. Objections may also be faxed to: WWNF Forest Supervisor, Attn: 1570 Objections at (541)-523-6392. Objections must be postmarked or received by the Reviewing Officer, Forest Supervisor, within 45 days from the date of publication of notice of the objection in *The Observer*

newspaper, La Grande, OR. The publication date is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Those wishing to file an objection should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source.

Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity and attributed to the objector, unless the issue is based on new information that arose after the opportunities for comment. The burden is on the objector to demonstrate compliance with this requirement for objection issues.

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